

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Your characters below are NOT based off real people throughout history and any reference to someone is purely coincidental. Learning your character background and policy is very important to do before the conference. Also, your actions in committee must be reflected by your character policy. Chairs will be checking to make sure you stay close to your policy in your papers and during the crisis committees. Have fun and don't be afraid to be creative!

#### Crisis 4: Izakakwai Tribe

1. **Adongo:** Adongo is one of the most respected leaders of the Izakakwai Tribe. Having been head of one of largest communities for 5 years, Adongo is considered wise beyond his years. Residing in one of the eastern communities, Adongo seeks peace wherever it can be attained. He recognizes the promise in a treaty, and aims to convince the rest of the tribe to attain it. Adongo believes in cooperating with less hostile European nations. Adongo has already had meetings with smaller French settlements, and Adongo understands that France mainly seeks a policy of assimilation with native Africans. However, Adongo understands that the British are seeking to invade his eastern terrain. Moreover, the British entertain a more violent policy toward the Native Africans. Adongo believes in unification of the Izakakwai tribe to become stronger. He is one of the big contenders to take the lead of the tribe
2. **Bongani:** Bongani is the scribe in their community. While seemingly a mundane occupation, Bongani's wisdom is well known in the Izakakwai Tribe. He also knows the English language in addition to the native Izakakwai tribe language Nwahili. However, another well-known trait of Bongani is immediate aggression towards a problem. Hailing from the West, Bongani was one of the main supporters of the port blockade. Bogani firmly believes it was unprovoked aggression by the Europeans, and it should be met with brute force by the Izakakwai tribe.
3. **Aspurata:** Aspurata is another Western diplomat who experienced the consequences of the port blockade. However, Aspurata does not share the popular opinion of unprovoked European Aggression. Instead, Aspurata believes the tragedy was simply a bump in the road, and thinks through cooperation from both sides, peace can be made. Aspurata also believes trade should be introduced as soon as possible, as the Europeans are much more advanced than the Izakakwai Tribe. Aspurata believes in cooperating and establishing trade relationships with the European nations. With trade, the Izakakwai tribe can receive an improved level of technology and the Europeans in exchange will receive natural resources.
4. **Chigaru:** Chigaru is the leader of one of the villages in the East. Having lived there since birth, Chigaru's main goal is to protect the village and the Izakakwai Tribe. Even so, Chigaru does not believe in violence as the immediate answer. Conversely, Chigaru thinks peace talks should be the primary responses. Chigaru believes diplomats from both sides should reach out, but recognizes other options proposed within the Tribe.

5. Fumbe: Fumbe is the child of the head leader in the Izakakwai Tribe. For being so young, Fumbe has a great mind of his own. Torn between the East and West, Fumbe believes there should be a median. He understands the views of both sides, but is willing to compromise. He suggests a peaceful settlement with the European powers to develop a compromise acceptable to both parties. His young eyes see the need for peace.
6. Chima: Chima is a mother of four children in the Izakakwai Tribe. She fears for the safety of her children. She believes that peace is called for. However, she understands the need of violence when the tribe is fighting for their culture and societal values. As a mother in the tribe, she needs to maintain a safe environment for her children. Chima believes the Izakakwai tribe should confront the Europeans as quickly as possible before European nations gain a steady hold in Africa.
7. Delmar: Delmar lives in one of the coastal villages of the Izakakwai Tribe, and is one of four chancellors of the Tribe. Delmar witnessed the implementation of the blockade and its consequences within the Western Community. Even having witnessed this, Delmar is known for his level head, and seeks to look for both sides of the problem. Delmar's efforts have not gone unnoticed, and he plans to use his high stature to seek peace. Delmar believes that if complete peace cannot be established with all the European nations, it is imperative to cooperate with one European nation so the Izakakwai tribe can be supplied with better resources.
8. Hilele: Hilele is a young woman who was very diligent in school. Being one of the few educated people in her village, Hilele holds this fact as a trump card to any argument. Residing near the middle of the Izakakwai's territory, her geographical location matches her opinion: she believes in a middle ground. Hilele wants to try to find a balance between conflict and diplomacy. Hilele has learned French and knows her native tongue. This makes her an effective diplomat or ambassador for the Izakakwai tribe.
9. Apio: Apio is one of the few elderly in the community. He is seen to be wise and trusted by all in the tribe. His opinion based on his morals, however, he believes violence is needed. In order to preserve the culture aged upon, a battle between the Izakakwai Tribe and European Powers is necessary. Considered as one of the wise members in the tribe, Apio has a big sphere of influence. Although peace is ideal, Apio is too logical to consider such an idealistic solution. Apio believes that fighting is inevitable.
10. Zola: Zola is another Chancellor in the Izakakwai Tribe. Being head of economic relations, Zola believes the European intervention to be an opportunity. She was against the port blockade, wanting to open trade as soon as possible. Zola believes that the developed European nations can help provide the resources for the Izakakwai tribe to further develop. With superior technology, the Izakakwai tribe can further dominate the African nation. Zola recognizes the risk of opening

relations with European powers. However, Zola also believes the rewards of opening economic relationships greatly outweigh the risks.

11. Punnu: Punnu is an elderly villager, and the most famous Oracle of the Izakakwai Tribe. After having successful premonitions of the invasion of “foreign aggressors,” she now claims the Europeans come with nothing but evil intent. Residing in the East, many villagers used to ignore her, but she has begun to gain a large following. Punnu hopes to persuade the Tribe of the evils of the European Invaders. With her large following, Punnu has a great deal of influence on how the Izakakwai tribe will respond to European pressures.
12. Refiole: Refiole is a quiet settler in the East. Refiole understands the position of the East, however, he strongly disagrees with the actions taken. He wants a battle to be birthed. A fight for the sake of their culture is critical. Due to his shy behavior, his voice is not heard on the East side. However, Refiole has connections with many powerful tribal leaders and is adamant on having his voice heard.
13. Samanya: Samanya is a well respected teacher in a Western Coastal Village. She wants nothing more than the preservation of the Izakakwai Culture, and believes the Tribe should do anything it can to protect itself. Furthermore, Samanya holds the Europeans responsible for the conflict at the ports, and wants to keep Europe and the Izakakwai Tribe from mixing. Samanya is a firm believer in Isolationism as a whole, and believes relations with any outside influence is a bad idea.
14. Udo: Udo is a rebellious teen who finds trouble in everything. He is never taken seriously amongst the community. However, the teen holds a special opinion. He wants the East and West to come together to establish a strategy to overthrow the European Powers. He wants Europe to suffer for their cruel behavior. Unfortunately, his unruly behavior has made it hard for the tribe to trust him. However his vitality in youth rejuvenates the Izakakwai’s fighting spirit.
15. Tau: Tau is a well-educated teenager in the Izakakwai Tribe. She is very emotional about the conflict. Tau believes culture and societal values are critical to society. It is what makes the tribe so unique. Her strong stance in education has helped her take the conflict within her hands. She has decided peace is ideal for the tribe to understand the European’s weaknesses. Once the weaknesses have been spotted, then she believes the Izakakwai tribe can effectively strike.
16. Rufaro: Rufaro is a highly looked upon leader in the West. His decisions have never led the tribe wrong. Most recently, however, his decisions for the tribe have been unpleasant. He is fearful for the future of the tribe. The community has begun to look down on him. He has overstepped his boundaries with the tribe and is soon to be overthrown for his bad behavior. Many believe Rufaro isn’t acting properly to confront the issue of European powers. However, Rufaro is willing to change his perspective.

17. Ukah: Ukah is the third Chancellor of the Izakakwai tribe, and in charge of Internal Relations within the Village Communities. Ukah is another Diplomat who sees economic opportunity in the European settlement. Ukah, however, does not believe mutual trade is the way. Instead, he wants to take advantage of the European desire for African Resources. Ukah wants to exert more control on the African natural resources. With greater control Europeans will not be able to take the resources as easily. This will drive the value of the resources higher, allowing for the Izakakwai tribe to gain more profits from the Europeans. Although Ukah is greedy, his interests and actions are based on providing economic development for the Izakakwai tribe.
18. Kwaku: Kwaku is a cousin of Ukah, and resides in the Western side of the Tribe's land. Kwaku carries a similar sentiment as the rest of the West. He believes war is unavoidable. Kwaku, however, believes the Izakakwai Tribe should attack as quick as possible. He believes the element of surprise can help the Izakakwai overcome the European technological advantage.
19. O'hatl: O'hatl is very poor and is highly uneducated. O'hatl has not been informed about the European Imperialists. However, he always sides with the West. He believes that the West is where the educated live. He states, "My great great grandfather once told me, 'If peace and war are ever a decision you must always chose to fight. Never give up the opportunity to fight for what you want.'" O'hatl doesn't have much influence but is in full support of the European conquest. This makes him one of the rare members of the Izakawai tribe with a starkly different perspective than most of the tribe
20. Ogechi: Ogechi is a gatherer in the Izakakwai Tribe. Ogechi is very skilled at her job. She wants the conflict to be peaceful between the tribe and European Powers. She believes that the tribe needs to gather more information about the European Powers before causing more commotion in the community. Ogechi does not want to make the wrong decision and put others at risk. She believes that the only way peace can be attained is if the Izakakwai tribe took part in some form compromise with the European powers.
21. Namdi: Namdi is a caretaker in the East. She is one of the very few who know a bit about medicine. She has suggested that the tribe be peaceful now while they are expecting the tribe to strike. Once the conflict fizzles down she recommends poisoning the head leader in the European Powers. Namdi wants to strike when little is expected. Her expert understanding of medicine and poisons puts her in a position of great influence and power.
22. Chidubem: Chidubem is the fourth Chancellor, in charge of agricultural development. Chidubem lives in the East, and believes the Europeans will carry diseases against their crops. After hearing some stories from the Americas of the destruction of the Native American population a couple of centuries before,

Chidubem believes the same will happen to his people. He uses the prophecies of the oracle Punnu as examples of the Europeans' diseases.

23. Gwala: Gwala is beloved by the Izakakwai Tribe. For being so young, Gwala is very mature for her age. She has taken the conflict extremely serious. She views her fight for culture as life or death. Gwala grew up in love with her traditions and to have that taken away terrifies her. Endlessly thinking what to do led her to believe that battle is needed.
24. Isooba: Isooba is a fabled witch in the Tribe. Living near a small river delta, Isooba uses combinations of chemicals to trick lower educated villagers into believing in her spells. She claims that the Europeans hold their own spells, and will seek to destroy her and the people of Izakakwai. Furthermore, she claims the guns used by the Europeans are soul stealers, and that their bicycles are possessed Iron Horses. Whilst most of the Tribe ignores her, she holds a vocal minority against the "European Witchcraft."
25. Yawa: Yawa is a firm believer in peace. He, being one of the East leaders, believes that war is never ideal. War would only cause more damage than what has already occurred. Yawa wants to wait to see what the European Powers wants to do before making an important decision. Yawa is highly respected in the eastern community, giving him a high level of influence.